Ruin Marked the German Retreat From French Soil



CHURCH AT ALBERT BEFORE IT WAS UTTERLY DESTROYED. A LEGEND RAN THAT WHEN THE FIGURE OF THE VIRGIN ON THE TOWER SHOULD FALL THE WAR WOULD BE NEARLY OVER. IT WAS SHOT DOWN IN 1918, AND PEACE FOLLOWED SHORTLY AFTERWARD.



WRECKED RAILWAY LINE PASSING THROUGH ALBERT, FRANCE. THE PICTURE WAS TAKEN HALF AN HOUR AFTER THE GERMAN EVACUATION. THE DESTRUCTION COULD SCARCELY HAVE BEEN MORE COMPLETE.